State BEARFACTS 1994 – 2004 Montana

The population of Montana in 2004 was 926,721. Its rank was 44th in the nation.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2004 Montana had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$27,854. This PCPI ranked 41st in the United States and was 84 percent of the national average, \$33,123. The 2004 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.7 percent from 2003. The 2003-2004 national change was 5.1 percent. In 1994 the PCPI of Montana was \$17,861 and ranked 45th in the United States. The 1994-2004 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.1 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2004 Montana had a total personal income (TPI) of \$25,812,886*. This TPI ranked 45th in the United States. In 1994 the TPI of Montana was \$15,383,500* and ranked 45th in the United States. The 2004 TPI reflected an increase of 6.8 percent from 2003. The 2003-2004 national change was 6.1 percent. The 1994-2004 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.2 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and total personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Montana. In 2004 net earnings accounted for 62.8 percent of TPI (compared with 61.7 in 1994); dividends, interest, and rent were 21.0 percent (compared with 21.7 in 1994); and personal current transfer receipts were 16.2 percent (compared with 16.6 in 1994). From 2003 to 2004 net earnings increased 8.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 1.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.7 percent. From 1994 to 2004 net earnings increased on average 5.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.0 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Montana increased from \$16,957,939* in 2003 to \$18,361,307* in 2004, an increase of 8.3 percent. The 2003-2004 national change was 6.5 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1994 estimate of \$11,000,591* to the 2004 estimate was 5.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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^{*}Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.